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REMARKS

The present application is directed to compositions comprising a combination of electroprocessed materials and substances, and methods of making and using the same. Claims 1, 5-6, 9 and 24-35 are currently pending in this application. Claim 5 is withdrawn as being directed to a non-elected species. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of Claims 2-4, 7-8 and 10-23 in a separate application. Claims 2-4, 7-8 and 10-23 are cancelled. Favorable consideration of the currently pending claims is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

In response to the Office Action, Applicants make the following elections with traverse and without prejudice to pursue non-elected subject matter through rejoinder and/or subsequently filed patent applications. For convenience, Applicants respond to the lettered categories in the Office Action.

a) In claim 1, Applicants elect iii, a combination of one or more natural materials and one or more synthetic materials.

b) In claim 1, Applicants elect protein as the natural material.

c) In claim 1, Applicants request clarification as the substance is not a synthetic material. Does the Examiner mean to state that the Applicants must elect whether the synthetic material is one synthetic material or more than one synthetic material? If this is the Examiner's intent, Applicants request clarification. In order to be fully responsive, Applicants elect more than one synthetic material for claim 1.

d) In claim 1, Applicants elect a therapeutic substance.

e) In claim 6, Applicants elect a wound care product.

f) In claim 24, Applicants elect more than one polymer. Applicants elect two polymers. In one embodiment, the two polymers are PVA and PLA. In another embodiment the two polymers are PLA and polyethylene co-vinyl acetate (PEVA)

g) In claim 27, Applicants elect extracellular matrix proteins.

h) In claim 30, Applicants elect one or more molecules.

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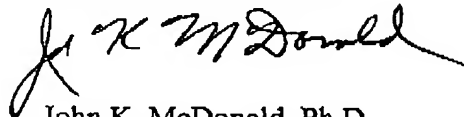
CONCLUSION

Applicants believe these remarks are fully responsive to the Office Action of February 23, 2006. Based upon the remarks provided above, Applicants believe the pending Claims are in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is therefore respectfully solicited.

No additional fees are believed due; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 11-0855.

If the Examiner believes any informalities remain in the application that may be corrected by Examiner's Amendment, or there are any other issues that can be resolved by telephone interview, a telephone call to the undersigned attorney at (404) 745-2470 is respectfully solicited.

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